

IN THE CLAIMS

Applicant requests that claims 1, 4, 6, 10 and 16 be amended as indicated in the clean version of all pending claims submitted herewith as exhibit A. Exhibit A-Red-lined submitted herewith indicates the changes made to claims 1, 4, 6, 10 and 16.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the substitute specification submitted herewith as Exhibit B. Exhibit B-Red-lined submitted herewith indicates the changes made to the substitute specification. As pointed out in more detail below, the substitute specification contains no new matter.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and reexamination is hereby requested.

Filed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement together with the fee specified in section 1.17(p).

In the first office action the examiner pointed out that certain references in the specification to prior art do not constitute an information disclosure statement. An information